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CONDUCT WAS UNUSUAL.

Young Man Held by the Police for Observation.

John B. Cunningham, thirty years of age, formerly employed as private secretary to Representative Gaines of West Virginia,

was placed under arrest yesterday afternoon by Policeman Batson of the ninth precinct and taken to the station house because of his peculiar appearance and ac tions. Cunningham, who formerly resided in Fayette couny, W. Va., had his face and hands blackened, and he was offering \$10 to the driver of a delivery wagon to take him across the Chain bridge and land him in Virginia a short time before the police found him. At the time of his arrest he was hiding on a pile of hay at Dickey Bros.' feed store, near 15th and H streets "Admiral Terry is after me," he stated

to the police, "and if I can get over the river in a covered wagon I'll be safe." Cunningham informed the police that he had exchanged clothes with a man at Hyattsville, and that he had given the lat ter \$5 to assist him in changing his appearance. The police surgeons examined the patient and directed that he be sent to the Washington Asylum Hospital for observa-

tion and treatment.
Cunningham, it is stated, graduated from the Georgetown Law School last year and had entered upon the practice of his profession. He occupied a room at 1453 Massa-chusetts avenue. His former employer called at police headquarters this morning and interested himself in behalf of Cun-

Funeral of James M. Dean.

The funeral of James M. Dean, the optician, who died last Thursday, will occur tomorrow afternoon from the chapel at J. William Lee's undertaking establishment. Religious services will be conducted at Calvary Baptist Church at 2:30 o'clock.

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are often caused by coffee

OLD RESIDENTS'

Men Interested in Planning and **Building Capital City.**

THE ASSOCIATION AS HOST

Introductory Remarks by Commissioner Macfarland.

OTHER PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Reminiscences of Other Days Interspersed With Anecdotes and Ex-

pressions of Fraternity.

The men who have been leaders in planning and building this city, who have been pioneers in all the great undertakings that have made the American capital city the pride of the country, gathered about the banquet board at Freund's last evening. It was the forty-second .. me the Oldest Inhabitants' Association had met in a similar manner. The events of the evening proved how the years can pass without making the heart grow old. It showed how lives that had been well spent in the doings of great things result in old age unaccompanied by any lessening of strong powers of thought and action. The evening was characterized by many patriotic speeches and by harmless conviviality. Stories were told of the olden days of the city, when reams of its greatness were being indulged in by these men who have lived to see realized

The company occupied the large dining room at Freund's, which was beautifully ornamented for the occasion. The American flag, which received many tributes of respect during the evening, predominated in the decorations. Beautiful roses ornamented the lang line of Philes

the long line of tables.

The assembly was called to order by Mr. Allison Nailor, jr., president or the Oldest Allison Nailor, jr., president of the Oldest Inhabitants' Association. Mr. Nailor sat at the head of the table, and beside him was Mr. S. Thomas Brown, a former president of the association. Comissioner Macfarland was at his right hand. Cahers who occupied seats near the head of the table were Mr. Crosby S. Noyes, Mr. William A. Smith, Mr. Frank W. Hackett, former assistant secretary of the navy. Mr. Theory sistant secretary of the navy; Mr. Theodore W. Noyes, Mr. Thomas C. Noyes, Maj. Sylvester, chief of police, and others.

Opening of the Program.

The singing of "America," led by Mr. Fred G. Calvert, opened the program that had been prepared for the occasion. A pleasant feature of the banquet and one which permitted an adjournment long before midnight was the interspersing of the toasts of the evening between the courses that were served. In this way the program was large-ly rendered by the time the banquet was

Mr. Benjamin W. Reiss, secretary of the association, added much to the evening's entertainment by rendering popular music

Some charming songs, given by Mr. Hern-don Morsell in his most effective style, were Views of Capital City. y appreciated by the gathering Rev. Richard Emmons invoked the divine lessing upon the assembled company. President Nailor read letters from Gen. Miles, Admiral Schley, Commissioner West and Col. Biddle, Engineer Commissioner of the District, expressing their regrets that

who is seldom absent from these annual dinners, and who has been so closely connected with much of the improvement that has been made in this city, was prevented from attending the banquet because of recent death in his family.

Mr. Macfarland's Address.

The first speaker of the evening was Commissioner Macfarland, who was received with applause. Mr. Macfarland responded to the toast, "The President of the United States." Before coming down to the subject of his toast he referred to the annual meetings of the association on the Fourth of July that are held at the country home of Mr. Crosby S. Noyes to celebrate Inde-pendence day. He was unable to be present at the last meeting of that kind, and said that on that occasion for the first time in his life he had been "unsteady on his pins when called upon to make a speech." The surprise created by this remark caused him at once to explain that his unsteadiness on the 4th of last July was at a time when he was on the high seas returning from a trip abroad.

"If the association had never done any-thing else but to hold such celebrations as those at Mr. Noyes' home on the Fourth of July," said Mr. Macfarland, "it would deserve the lasting gratitude of the peo-ple of this community. I hope the custom of holding celebrations there will be kept up, and that Mr. Noyes will be with us for half a century to continue the custom he established in celebrating Independence

day at Alton farm.
"I feel that this association has done as much as any other in the national capital to develop patriotism and to maintain the national spirit here and to strengthen in for our flag which is essential to a great

people.
"It is a great honor to be called upon by this association to respond to this toast, 'The President of the United States.' The servant of all, therefore the greatert of all. 'The servant of the servants of God' is the proudest title of the pope of Rome. The servant of the people pre-eminent be-cause most useful, is the proudest title of the President. Yet, inevitably and necessarily, he governs, he directs, he leads the people whom he serves, and this is his greatest service. Moreover, the people choose him to be their leader and govern "Nothing is plainer than the steady increase in the power of the executive. except the steady increase in the desire of the people to have it so. We have an invisible constitution as well as a written one. It is the development of the written constitution by unwritten custom and changing public opinion.

Power of the President.

"And it has made the President more powerful than any prime minister, and that means more powerful than any sovereign. With the initiative and the veto as to legislation, with the appointment of the Supreme Court and of all executive officers. with the actual command of the army and

voice would be lost in the roar of the general approval. Fortunate beyond any of his predecessors in the support of his fellow countrymen, he is acclaimed by them.

marks and the applause he called forth supported his expressed belief that he was gradually working up to the standard of Commissioner Macfarland as an after din-

"I was reminded as he was speaking." said Mr. Warner, referring to Mr. Macfarland, "that notwithstanding the expansion of our resources, both territorial and financial, as well as in every other direc-tion, that if the pending bill to give us a representative on the floor of the House passes, we could have no better representative there to look after the interests of the District of Columbia than Commissioner Macfarland. I do not want to get him out of his present position, but I would like to see him on the floor of the House advocating the advancement of the District of Columbia in that admirable manner in Columbia in that admirable manner in which he always advocates it whether before committees of Congress or when addressing the people of the District.

"It is difficult to do justice to the subject of the toast that has been assigned to me, 'Our Country and Our Flag,' Mr. Warner continued. "We are fortunate in living in this country and under this flag. We are fortunate in living in the District of Columbia. Our country has expanded with wonderful rapidity, during 'he administration of President Roosevelt, who has not had his equal in the official chair in many respects. He is a man who does his duty fearlessly, regardless of what seem to be the consequences of his actions. He is a the consequences of his actions. He is a man who attains results which excite the

admiration of the world and which have placed us high among the nations of the earth.
"We have a country that produces every product known to the world. We have assimilated men of every nation of the world and we have been bound together in one magnificent nationality that takes in the Englishman, the German, the French-man and the representatives of every other nationality and blends them into a great

Mr. Warner spoke of the great industrial prosperity that had come to the people of this country, but said that our prosperity is not founded alone on wealth but is influenced by the great deeds of men who have contributed to the welfare of the nation. His reference to Mr. Carnegie's benefactions called for great applause. "The flag of our country," declared Mr. Warner, "waves over more territory than even that of Great Britain. Its splendor

go on."
At the conclusion of Mr. Warner's re marks "The Rev. White and Blue" was sung by the assembled company, Secretary The evening was enlivened by the singing of other songs, "My Old Kenticky Home" being given in a vigorous manner that indicated that possibly young men rather than old ones composed the chorus.

stars. Its splendor increases as the years

Army and Navy.

Mr. Frank W. Hackett, formerly assistant secretary of the navy, was called upon to espond to the toast "Our Army and Navy." Mr. Hackett had a good stock of storles, every one of which seemed a little better than the others. He indulged in some interesting reminiscences in relation to the navy yard in this city, referring especially to the history of the navy yard as he re-membered it many years ago, and to the great work of Capt. Tingley in whose memory has been recently placed a tablet at the navy yard, recounting his long service and the work he did. He referred to the Oldest Inhabitants' Association as an organization composed of true patriots. He had attended many meetings of the Loyal Legion, of which he was a member, but not even there had he found a greater sentiment of patriotism than exists in this as-

Mr. Hackett called forth much applause by his stories, which were so popular as to call forth protests when he proposed to onclude his remarks. One of the most pleasing incidents of the

evening was the singing by Mr. Herndon Morsell, who was encored several times. Mr. Morsell charmed his audience with the popular airs he rendered. One of the most effective speeches of the evening was by Dr. A. P. Fardon, who responded to the toast, "Our Capital City." Dr. Fardon's long residence here especial-

Views of Capital City. one has lived for forty years in the capital of the nation, and has lived sixty-nine years in this land, no better inspiration is needed than a knowledge of the greatness other engagements had prevented them of our country and the beauty of our capi-from being present. Gen. John M. Wilson, tal city to call forth an appropriate retal city to call forth an appropriate response to this toast. Ine capital city-who has made it? The first man who built a house here promoted the building of the beautiful capital of the country. As look about and see these men all of whom have lived here over thirty-five years, and all of whom have passed the age of fifty, I see the men who have done so much to make this great city what it is." He congratulated the people of the District for many things. In the first place,

while Russia has but one czar, the District wonderful growth of the ctly of which he has been a witness. The people here may be proud that they are living under the greatest republic the world has ever seen. Our local growth is in keeping with our national growth. In every direction the District of Columb.a is being improved. Beautiful parks are being laid out; fine highways are being constructed, and massive and impressive buildings are going up in keeping with the needs of such a city. Now the people may well look for a still grander city. Its educational institutions are extending, its schools with 52 000 rupils are well worth boasting of. Dr. Fardon thought it was a grand thing to live in such

Referring to Commissioner Macfarland he said the people may well be proud that during the nine years of his administration here has not been made a dishonest contract and there is no word that can spoken to compromise the intense integrity of that administration. The people might well be proud of the righteousness that prevails and must necessarily prevail in municipality that is to be developed and of which the people are to be proud.

Talks of "The Press." Mr. Thos. C. Noyes was called upon by

President Nailor to respond to the toast "The Press." Mr. Noyes was especially embarrassed in being called upon to respond to the toast that had been assigned

"I find," he said, "the Commissioner has said all the nice things possible about the president. Mr. Hackett has told all the has gone into heights of eloquence, impossible for any ordinary non-politician to reach, and Dr. Fardon has told you all about Washington. I find very little left that which was never before known. This

When told some time ago that he was to respond to this toast Mr. Noyes said he thought President Nailor was joking, but now it appeared that he was in dead earwas embarrassed, he said, in undertaking to respond to the toast in the

presence of his father.
"I know," he said, "with what pleasure he looks forward to these annual meetings and appreciates every member of the ashe is with you—whether he is an associated member or an honorary member—but I know what he thinks of this association and know what he thinks of this association and this city of a system of identification throughout this country which has become throughout this country which has become I know that when he reaches an age that will qualify him for membership, he will become a member, and I am sure he will see that his sons make application as soon

as they are old enough.
"Age is a peculiar thing. This is the association of the Oldest Inhabitant but you don't look very old to me. Many of you whom I have known for years really look younger than you did long ago. Twenty years ago I had my first experience with the Oldest Inhabitant Association, being assigned by The Star to get a story about one of the association's New Year pilgrimages to the White House. I saw a good many of you on that occasion and I remember that you looked very much older than When I was fifteen years of age I thought your honored president was a very old man. As I find more gray hairs in my own head, I think he is a very young fellow. Age is all a matter of compari-

son."

Mr. Noyes added some good stories to the many that had been told during the Washington the capital of the United States. That is one Washington. That is the Wash-

ington we all have a part in. It is the Washington we are all proud of.
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tion know more about Washington city than any other body of men. You have a tre-mendous duty to perform to Washington city. It is your duty to preserve its his-tory. I look forward to the day when the tory. I look forward to the day when the Oldest Inhabitants' Association will have a building of its own, a proper place in which it can place a great library relating to the city of Washington. A place in which it can have a museum. I look forward to that day and it will come.'

Elicits Applause.

This reference to a permanent home for the Oldest Inhabitants' Association struck a popular chord and the banquet hall rang with applause.

"These things that ought to be," he added. as the applause subsided, "are bound to be, if we only say we are boing to accompish them.
"There is another great thing that this association will do. It will always protect and stand up for Washington the civic city the divisors of

and struggle to arouse in the citizens of Washington a thing greatly lacking hereproper civic pride, a pride in the city tself. If that pride exists anywhere it must and does exist in an organization composed of men who must have hive and thirty-five years in order to become a member. Any man who has lived here that member. Any must become a member of H. V. Colton, J. D. Cathell, J. Edward Libto all civic pride. If he has a shred of it and the matter is presented to him he must become a member of an organization of this maracter. I say to you, as a younger man, as a man who looks forward to the time he will be a member of this ass

tion, you have a great duty and task in oryour members, but among the citizens generally of the city of Washington."

President Nailor then introduced Maj. Richard Sylvester, saying that, notwith-standing the large area and the limited number of its protectors, there is nowhere a more orderly city than this. He attribsted this result to the well-organized and well-disciplined body of men who perform their duties under the guidance of Maj.

"City Guardians-the Police." He then asked Maj. Sylvester to respond to the toast. "Our City Guardians-the Police."

"In the parlance of my profession," said touched by the eloquence and patriotism embodied in the speeches to which I have listened this evening and by the bounteous repast which was placed before me. Maj. Sylvester then spoke of what had over which he has control.

he said, "is one known to you all. But those who administer it are but human. They are doing the best they can to bring about the condition in the national capital to which we all look and which we should have. The only difficulty and embarrass ment that the police force of this city suffers results from the want of a sufficient number of men."

Maj. Sylvester was here interrupted by cries of "that is right, that is right." "For nearly twenty-five years," he said, "I have been connected with this department. I know its ins and outs and its deficiencies. There is a large area to look after. There are difficult questions arising in different sections and it is well known that we should have police officers within happy in his remarks, but said that he was at all times and on all occasions. We go to the Capitol and appeal for an increase in force, and I have often found that the gentlemen who have in charge the work of providing for us little understand the many embarrassments and the many difficulties which we have to encounter.

"I may say for our police organization that it has been brought into communication and co-operation with all the police authorities of the world within the last organization has established a system of co-operation with the German government with other governments equally as important. It carries on correspondence with Bertillon and with the prefect of police

in Paris.
"Prior to four or five years ago there was no such correspondence. These gentlemen were either afraid of our country, or suspicious of us. But today we accomplish without necessity of calling upon our State Department much pertaining to the ap-prehension of criminals and for the preven-

more and more complete, so that soon a criminal will weave about himself a web which will make his escape impossible police. The police are usually the butt of criticism, often rightly so, but I will say that you have a department made up of who are doing all they can to meet the

At this stage of the proceedings, and when Maj. Sylvester had concluded, Secretary Reiss proposed the health of the former president of the association, Mr. S. Thomas Brown, which was responded to with great unanimity. Objects and Principles.

Mr. John B. McCarthy was then called

upon to respond to the toast "Our Association, Its Objects and Principles." Mr. McCarthy said the association had already indicated by practical work the nature of its object and its principles and had shown that it is not only an association for the promotion of good fellowship, but that it goes into the practical affairs of life. There goes into the practical analys of the. There are many principles and many objects that have been promoted by it. The celebration of Independence day, which had been begun and was being continued from year to year at Mr. Noyes' country home, Alton Farm, was one of the practical movements of this organization. He was glad to see that the association had actively taken an

that course was to a large extent responsible for retaining many of these pumps Mr. McCarthy himself had very little con fidence in the allegations that were made about the disease-breeding qualities of pump water. If it were as bad as some people claimed it to be, he did not see why the horses that drink bucketsful of it and the fishes that swim in it are not an-nihilated. He didn't believe that water is the means of conveying half of the diseas that is attributed to it. The meeting was then brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Committee and Guests. The entertainment was arranged by ommittee composed of Crosby S. Noyes, Wil'iam R. Smith, Andrew W. Kelley, Edward F. Droop, J. Henry Small, jr., John R. Major, Benj. W. Reiss, Louis P. Seibold, Edward Clark, Thomas W. Smith and A. H. Ragan.

Those present were Allison Nailor, jr., Benjamin W. Reiss, Adam Gaddis, A. J. Bache, Crosby S. Noyes, Dr. ... M. Starr, Thomas C. Noyes, B. H. Warner, Theodore W Noyes, Maj. George H. Armes, O. D. Summy, H. M. Bennett, A. G. Brust, Herndon Morsell, S. V. Noonan, Norval W. King H. V. Colton, J. D. Cathell, J. Edward Libbey, John R. Major, George A. R. McNeir, L. A. Dellwig, Nicholas Watkins, A. Grupe, J. Edward Riggles, Joseph J. Keeler, W. H. Dennis, B. A. Colonna, R. M. A. Fenwick, J. Eliot Wright, T. R. Henon, James Croggon, B. D. Drane, George W. Arthur, Charles H. Calvert, J. Tyler Powell, E. T. McNerhany, John B. McCarthy, Sebastian Bauer, Edward Shaw H. O. Hall bastian Bauer, Edward Shaw, H. O. Hall, Henry C. Thompson, A. W. Kelley, Edward Droop, John N. Walker, George Y. Hansell, William B. Palmer, Edward Kern, J. C. Yost, J. L. Dailey, George W. Harvey, Maj. Richard Sylvester, S. Thomas Brown, Frank W. Hackett, W. Lee White, C. B. Smith, W. R. Smith, William W. Chambers. M. G. Copeland, Rev. Richard Emmons, John Baden, Louis P. Selbold, Dr. A. P. Fardon, B. C. Wright and Capt. Isaac Pearson.

REVIEW OF CHARITY WORK. Board Submits Annual Report to

Commissioners. The board of charities of the District submitted its sixth annual report to the Commissioners today. The report consisted of a review of the work of the various institutions under the board's supervision. with a number of recommendations. The work was considered in four divisions, each of which was given special attention by a standing committee. These four divisions are reformatories and correctional institutions, medical charities, child-caring institutions and miscellaneous institutions Possibly the most important recommendation made by the board is to estimate for tional wing and administration building for the present workhouse, which building is declared to be inadequate, and for the

for indigent patients. The present board of charities consists of John Joy Edson, chairman; George M. Kober, Charles P. Neill, Simon Wolf and George W. Cook.

erection of a general municipal hospital

Will of Jane Koontz.

By the terms of the will of Jane Koontz dated April 9, 1892, and offered for probate, house 200 4th street southeast is devised to her daughters. Margaret Jane Koontz and Catherine Walker Koontz, as long as they remain unmarried. Should they marry, the property is to be sold and the proceeds divided among her six children-George Robert Koontz, Thomas Lushear Koontz, Anna Dunlop O'Donnell, John O'Wade Koontz, Margaret Jane Koontz and Cathérine Walker Koontz. The testatrix directs the property at 202 4th street southeast be sold and her debts paid with the proceeds. The personal estate is to be distributed among Anna D. O'Donnell, Margaret Jane Koontz and Catherine Walker Koontz.

Marine Corps Orders.

Lieut, Col. Con M. Perkins from Marine Barracks, Norfolk, and to navy yard, New York, for duty in command of marine battalion for service on the Isthmus of Pan

Capt. Henry D. F. Long, from Marine Barracks, New York, to duty with marine battalion for service on Isthmus of Pan-First Lieut. Gerard M. Kincade, from

Marine Barracks, Boston, to duty with marine battalion for service on Isthmus of Panama. Second Lieut, Tillman Bunch, from 1st Provincial Regiment, United States ines, Cuba, and resume duties at Marine

First Lieut, Louis G. Miller, from 1st

Provincial Regiment, United States Ma-rines, Cuba, to duty at Marine Barracks, Second Lieut. Benj. S. Berry, from 1st Provincial Regiment, United States Marines, Cuba, to duty at Marine Barracks, League Island, Pa. Second Lieut. Hermann T. Vulte, from United States Naval Medical School Hospital, Washington, D. C., to Marine Barracks, Norfolk. First Lieut. John W. McClaskey, placed

Capt. John C. Beaumont. from Marine

on retired list.

Harriman and Gould Companies Must Answer in Court

FOR COAL LAND FRAUDS

Discrimination Against Certain Shippers Among the Charges.

WARRANTS FOR HIGH OFFICIALS

Only the Beginning of Government's Probing in Utah and Wyoming of Gigantic Frauds.

SALT LAKE CITY, December 8-Indictments were returned yesterday atternoon against the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the Oregon Short Line Railroad Com pany, the Union Pacific Coal Company, the Utah Fuel Company and several of the highest officials representing the Harriman and Gould corporations in Utah, by the federal grand jury that is investigating coal land frauds in Utah, and charges that railroad corporations have discriminated

against certain shippers. The indictment ugainst the Harriman companies embraces the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line, the Union Pacific Coal Company. Everett Buckingham, general superintendent of the Oregon Short Line, and T. J. Moore, general agent in Salt Lake of the Union Pacific Coal Company. The i.idictment charges violation of the interstate commerce law. alleging discrimination against D. J. Sharp, a coal dealer in Salt Lake City, who was forced out of business after he had cut prices below the prices

charged by other dealers in coal. Charge Land Frauds.

The indictment against the representa tives of the Gould interests embraces the Utah Fuel Company, H. G. Williams general manager of this company; Robert Forester, Alexander M. Cowie, general manager of the company's Wasatch store, at Sunnyside, Utah; Elroy N. Clark, the Utah Fuel Company's attorney at Denver. and George A. Moore, the company's agent at Denver. They are charged with defrauding and attempting to defraud the United States government, the charges being based on the methods pursued in acquiring title to coal lands in Utah. Bench warrants for the arrest of persons accused in the two indictments were issued.

Bonds in the case of each individual ac used were fixed at \$3,000. The grand jury also indicted two men for paying Theodore Schulte, employe of an nsurance firm, and Thomas A. Moore, ab-Both were arrested last night and release n \$2,500 bail. The charge grows out of the belief of the grand jury that the men acted as land locaters for the Utah Fuel Company and refused to admit the fact

Gigantic System of Fraud.

After the grand jury had adjourned Assistant Atorney General Maynard stated that when it reconvenes the inquisition will be resumed. The indictments returned yesterday, he said, mark only the beginning of the government's probing in Utah and Wyoming, and the violations of laws alleged in these indictments are only incident of a gigantic system of fraud that has been in operation in the west for many years.

The indictment against the Uah Fuel Company and the six agents of that company is pased on the methods used in acquiring about 1,400 acres of coal lands in Sevier county, Utah. The lands were filed on March 24, 1905.

Robert Forrester, geologist and mining expert of the Utah Fuel Company, is alleged to have been charged with the acleged to have been charged with the ac-tual direction of the men who filed on the lands. After Forrester had prospected the ground, George A. Moore, the Utah Fuel ompany's agent in Denver, went over the numerous claims and on each caused to be dug an excavation exposing the coal de-posits. "Dummy" locators were the secured to make filings on the claims. These were mostly young men, who were each paid \$5, their expenses to and from the lands and \$3 per diem while they were employed in entering the claims. There was an explicit understanding that the claims were to be conveyed to the Utah Fuel Com-

pany or its agents.

The men were taken upon the lands, the coal deposits were shown to them and immediately they filed on the lands with application papers made out by the company's attorney, Maj. William H. Bird. Maj. Bird has since died. All the entries to the 1,400 acres were made on the same On each of the claims a payment of \$1,600

papers of Salt Lake City, advertised his coal lands for sale. From Calkins the lands were transferred to Frank B. Cook, a mining man of Salt Lake City. The lands now stand in Cook's name. The allegation of the government's attorneys is that Cook holds the lands in trust for the Utah Fuel Company.

Charges Against Harriman Roads The indictment against the Harriman

railroads and the Union Pacific Coal Company and the two officials of these companies, is based on alleged unlawful discrimination against the D. J. Sharp Coal Company. Mr. Sharp recently told his story before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty. In the summer of 1905 the Harriman railways made a rate to all coal shippers who bought in their coal during the summer months. This rate was 50 cents a ton lower than the regular rate. Mr. Sharp endeavored to give his patrons the benefit and advertised coal in Salt Lake City at \$4.75 a ton, which was 50 cents less than the rate charged by members of the Coal Dealers' Association.

FUNERAL OF JOHN CROPPER.

Services Tomorrow Afternoon in St. John's Church.

Arrangements have been made for the funeral of the late John Cropper, who was found dead yesterday morning at his home. 1742 M street. It will occur from St. John's Episcopal Church at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, pastor of the church, will officiate. Mrs. Cropper, who was in New York at the time her husband died, reached home late yesterday afternoon. Five of the pallbearers selected today are Gen. H. Oswald Ernst, Mr. Arthur Brice, Mr. Blair Lee, Mr. John Scott of Pittsburg and Mr. Finly

French of Baltimore.
After the church services the remains will be placed on a train and taken to New York city for interment in Greenwood cemetery. Mrs. Cropper will accompany the remains to New York and among those who are to accompany her are Mrs. Louis Tiffany of Baltimore, a cousin; Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, Mr. Scott and Mr. French.

NAVY REORGANIZATION. Recommendations of the Personnel

Board. The navy personnel board, appointed last August to suggest such modifications in the laws.affecting the commissioned personnel of the navy as might seem to be advisable, has recommended a remedy for two serious evils in the line, namely, the absence of opportunity for officers of flag rank to familiarize themselves by actual experience with their duties as commanders of fleets, divisions or squadrons in the short time to elapse before their retirement for age, and also an impending period of great stagna-

tion in promotion. The board regards it as of the utmost importance that there should be three vice admirals and twenty-one rear admirals on the active list, the vice admirals to be increased in number by one for every in-crease of the personnel by eight thousand. The active list of the line officers, it is rec-ommended, should consist of a seagoing list of fifteen hundred officers below flag rank, plus those carried as additional numbers. The present list it is declared should be increased accordingly by not more than seventy-five numbers annually, in addition to the vacancies normally created during the year, until the total number on the sea-

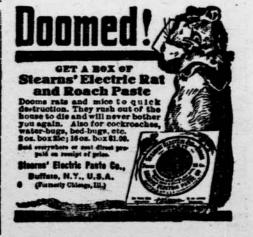
going list be attained. The report also recommends the formation of a reserve list of officers for shore duty, with the pay and allowance now given to officers on shore duty. In order, however, to prevent an excess of officers upon the reserve list beyond the requirements of the duties which they are to perform, it is rec-ommended that an officer who is ransferred to the reserve list should be retired on three-fourths pay in one grade higher than he holds when placed on the reserve list. It further is recommended that lieutenant commanders transferred to the reserve list

STARVING BY MILLIONS. Famine Prevails Throughout Central

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China. A famine affecting millions of people prevalls throughout central China, according to a dispatch which has been received at the State Department from Shanghai. This is the first intimation the government has received that such a serious condition exists.

The dispatch adds that relief committees, consisting of various consuls general, local Chinese officials and business men, have been appointed to deal with the situation. It also says that the sufferers are actually



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